

BPA to make funds available in the Unassigned Account

As we begin fiscal year 2015 BPA is allocating approximately \$3.66 million to the Unassigned Account. These funds were originally designated to support regional program infrastructure (e.g. third party programs) in FY 14, but costs have been lower than expected and we are reallocating funds to our customers.

This will be the first Unassigned Account distribution using the new methodology agreed upon during Post 2011 Review. Funds in the Unassigned Account will be allocated on a Tier One Cost Allocator ([TOCA](#))-weighted basis that reflects the pool of customers that have submitted a request (with no other levels of priority). Customers will submit a “Request for Funding” and indicate whether a TOCA-weighted allocation or a conditional maximum amount is needed. In general the process will occur as follows.

1. Funds in the Unassigned Account will be allocated to customers requesting funds proportionally according to their TOCA allocations.
2. Customers requesting funds can request funds up to a maximum amount.
3. Requests that exceed the maximum amount will be automatically reduced to the maximum total requested.
4. Customers will have the option to reduce or refuse their allocation. If this occurs the weighted TOCA allocations will be recalculated and adjusted accordingly.

For illustrative purposes, if there were \$2 million in the Unassigned Account with three customers requesting funds with TOCAs of 0.1, 0.05, and 0.025, the \$2 million would be allocated as follows:

Unassigned Account Distribution Example			
Amount Available: \$2 million	Final Proposal/Net Requirement TOCA	Weighted TOCA	Amount Allocated
Customer A	0.1	0.571	\$ 1,142,857
Customer B	0.05	0.286	\$ 571,429
Customer C	0.025	0.143	\$ 285,714

Process for Requesting Unassigned Account Funds

To request funds, customers will need to complete an “[Unassigned Account Request Form](#).” This is available on BPA.gov in the Implementation Manual Document Library. BPA will accept requests, until 5 p.m. PST on Dec 4. BPA will notify customers of allocations on Dec 11. If for any reason a customer wishes to reduce or refuse their allocation they will need to do so by Dec. 18. ECA budgets will be updated by Jan. 8 2015.

Please note this schedule has been expanded compared to previous iterations to account for holiday schedules.

Unassigned Account Release Timeline

BPA to notify customers of the amount available in the Unassigned Account	Nov 13, 2014
Deadline to request funds from the Unassigned Account	Dec. 4, 2014
BPA to notify customers of their Unassigned Account allocations	Dec 11, 2014
Deadline to reduce or refuse allocations	Dec 18, 2015
ECA budgets will be updated	Jan 8, 2015

